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HONGKONG, OCTOBER 7th, 1893.

We learn that the question of the establishment of a manufacturing colony has been for some time past being engaged the attention of the Government. The most eligible sites for cotton mills and factories within the limits of the colony and situated on Crown land are the following:—Causeway Bay Reclamation, 900,000 square feet; Shaikwan, west end of village, 1,000,000 square feet; 144,000 square feet; Aberdeen, Little Hongkong Valley, 1,000,000 square feet; Kowloon Peninsula, on the eastern coast north of Hungshing and on the south coast west of Hungshing, but as regards these it is rather doubtful if a sufficient supply of water other than sea water (which might be condensed) could be obtained for a large industry. The household of all Crown land is sold at public auction and is put up at a minimum premium and fixed annual rent, but we believe if offers were made for any of these properties they might be dealt with specially. The growth of manufacturing industries at Shanghai has been encouraged by the facility with which the necessary land could be obtained and the easy terms on which it is held, whereas in Hongkong the contrary conditions have prevailed and the establishment of manufacturing has been thereby retarded. With the extensive reclamations that have been carried out at Kennedy-cove, the Causeway Bay reclamation, and the Praya reclamation now proceeding, it will naturally be thought that the time is inopportune for entering on additional works of reclamation at Aberdeen and Shaikwan. The land reclaimed or to be reclaimed at the Praya is a large tract, but we believe it is a tendency to remove business establishments forward towards the water front, leaving the rear part of the town more available for occupation by the Chinese with their small industries. All this land, however, and that at Kennedy-cove, is in private ownership and will naturally be dealt with by the proprietors according to the conditions of the market and considerations of their own profit. The only land the Government has on its hands immediately available is therefore the reclamation at Causeway Bay, where there is room for several large cotton mills or other manufacturing. The question is how to start the work, that is, how to catch the capitalist, European or Chinese. Now, provided the establishment of industries is not thereby retarded, it would

ply the Colony well to let the land go for a mere song, a nominal premium and nominal annual rental, for a fairly long term of years, say fifty or seventy-five, the rent to be subject to revision at the end of that term. Justice to succeeding generations demands attention to the latter point, for although it may be good policy to allow land to be used practically free of payment at present it would not be right to forego all future claims to rent when the land may possibly have become exceedingly valuable. No one would hesitate to build on land held on a seventy-five years' lease, and if such leases were offered by the Government on easy terms in respect of the land at Causeway Bay (the stipulation as to the erection of buildings on each lot being strictly insisted upon), it would be rather surprising if there was not some competition for it, even in the present tight state of the money market. To avoid any appearance, or any possibility, of favoritism, it would of course be necessary to put the land up to auction in the usual way except that it should be an auction without reserve instead of with a heavy upset price. The land has lain so long idle and there appears so little likelihood of any demand for it springing up while there is a heavy premium to be paid for its occupation that it would, we think, be good policy to encourage its utilization by the means suggested. The leases might be drawn in such a form as to favour industrial rather than residential occupation, for there appears to be no particular demand in the colony for residential buildings, while it is certainly desirable that industrial enterprise should be promoted.

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1893. 16

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THE Steamship
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Port on **THURSDAY, the 12th October, at**
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This well-known steamer is specially fitted for
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throughout the voyage. A fully qualified Sur-
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Hongkong, 5th October, 1893. 12154

NORTHERN PACIFIC
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

MOGUL.....	Thursday	Oct. 19.
VICTORIA..... <td>Thursday<th>Nov. 2.</th></td>	Thursday <th>Nov. 2.</th>	Nov. 2.
TACOMA..... <td>Thursday<th>Dec. 7.</th></td>	Thursday <th>Dec. 7.</th>	Dec. 7.
MOGUL..... <td>Tuesday.....<th>Jan. 2, '94</th></td>	Tuesday..... <th>Jan. 2, '94</th>	Jan. 2, '94
VICTORIA..... <td>Tuesday.....<th>Jan. 23, '94</th></td>	Tuesday..... <th>Jan. 23, '94</th>	Jan. 23, '94

THE Steamship
"MOGUL,"
Captain Golding, sailing at **NOON, on THURS-**
DAY, the 19th OCTOBER, will proceed to
VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, via
PORT ANGELES, INDIAN SEA, KOBE, and
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Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan,
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Consular Invoice of Goods for United States
Ports should be in quadruplicate, and uncopy-
ied, must be sent forward by the steamer to the care
of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Rail-
road, San Francisco, California.
Passes must be sent to our Office with address
marked in full by 5 P.M. on the day previous to
sailing.
For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARROLL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1893. 19

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID.
NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP,
BERMEN, and HAMBURG.
ORDER IN ADVANCE FOR BLACK
SEA and BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
AMSTERDAM, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BAL-
TIMORE, HONOLULU, HOLLAND,
ALBANY, and SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
and LUGGAGE.

—Cargo can be TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL
PLACES IN RUSSIA.

ON MONDAY, the 16th day of October,
at 3 P.M., the Company's Steamship
"GEBRÜDERN" will sail for
AMSTERDAM, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and
COGNAC, will leave this Port at above, CALLING
at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till **NOON** on
THURSDAY, the 14th Oct. Cargo and Specie
to be received on Board until **NOON** on **MON-**
DAY, the 16th Oct., and Parcels will be re-
ceived at the Agents' Office until **NOON** on
FRIDAY, the 15th Oct. Outlets of Packages
required. No Pa. and Receipts should be signed
before 24, and Parcels should not exceed
the weight of 100 lbs. each.

The Steamer has ample Accommodation,
cabinets, a Doctor and Stewardsess,
which can be wanted on board.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893. 17

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MAITIQUES.

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, CO-
LOMBO, PONDICHERY,
ADEN, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID.
MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK
SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
BRUSSELS, LONDON, HAVRE, and
BOULEAUX.

—Ports of BRAZIL and LA PLATA.
ON WEDNESDAY, the 18th October,
1893, at Noon, the Company's Steamship
"EISENEN," Commandant Schmits, with
Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave
Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for Load
as well as for stowages, and accepted in
charge of the Merchandise for the principal
ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till **NOON,**
and Parcels until 6 P.M., on the 17th
(Parcels are not to be sent on board;
must be left at the Agents' Office). Con-
sular and Value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Com-
pany's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 5th October, 1893. 12

FOR NEW YORK.
"E 3 A A.I. American Ship."

"GEORGE STATION."
Master, will land here for the above
and have quick despatch.
Freight apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents, 90th August, 1893. 1893

FOR NEW YORK.
"E 3 A A.I. American Ship."

"CENTENNIAL."
Master, will land here for the above
and have quick despatch.
Freight apply to
ROTHSCHILD, BUCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents, 15th September, 1893. 12222

FOR NEW YORK.
"E 3 A A.I. American Ship."

Master, about to expect, will land
on the above port and will have quick
despatch.
Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1893. 18964